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## Sen. Gilbert issues statement on the passage of county tax proposals

**LANSING** – Sen. Jud Gilbert, R-Algonac, offered the following "no vote explanation" upon passage of Senate Bills 1111 and 1112. These bills are part of a package that would accelerate the collection of county operating mills into the summer tax levy beginning in 2005.

"Although I understand the Republican leadership worked with the governor to improve this plan significantly, I still feel - in these tough economic times and with a high number of delinquencies in paying taxes already - that moving these bills forward would just make the situation worse," Gilbert said. "In addition, the reaction that I received from several county officials in my district was lukewarm at best."

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